

REMARKS

Careful examination of the application is sincerely appreciated.

Claims 1-11 are pending in the application. Claims 1-3, 8 and 9 are rejected. Claims 4-7 and 10 are allowed. Claim 11 is indicated to contain allowable subject matter.

To conclude the prosecution of this case in response to the Final Office Action, claim 11 is canceled without prejudice by this amendment. The allowable subject matter of claim 11 is incorporated into claim 1, thereby making claim 1 and claims 2 and 3 dependent therefrom allowable.

By the previous 116 amendment, claims 8 and 9 have been amended to address the lack of antecedent basis rejection. It is believed that these claims are now in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. 112, and in condition for allowance.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and an early notice thereof is earnestly solicited.

It is respectfully submitted that this supplemental amendment does not raise any new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. Entry of this amendment is therefore respectfully requested.

An earnest effort has been made to be fully responsive to the Examiner's correspondence. In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that the present application is in condition for allowance. However, if for any reason this application is not considered to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action.

Please charge any additional fees associated with this application to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

By Larry Liberchuk
Larry Liberchuk, Reg. No. 40,352
Senior IP Counsel
914-333-9602